

**IN-STATE  
EGG HANDLERS REGISTRATION FORM**

517-004 (Rev.12/06)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
Department of Food and Agriculture  
Egg Quality Control Program

**Complete and make remittance payable to:**

CASHIER, CDFA  
PO Box 942872  
Sacramento, CA 94271-2872

**Section 1. Applicant Information**

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR STATE USE ONLY**

County Code	Handler Code	Initials

Payment Type:  
☐ Monthly ☐ Annually ☐ Exempt

USDA Plant I.D. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 2. Egg Handlers Nature of Business (Check Box)**

☐ Producer (only) ☐ Packer(only) ☐ Producer/Packer ☐ Distributor ☐ Broker ☐ Breaking Plant/Hatchery

**Section 3. Business Information**

Please answer the following questions and provide the additional information requested.

Size of laying flock, if a Producer or Producer/Packer \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you sell all your eggs to consumers on your premises? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Do you sell at a Farmers Market? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, County(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you produce Value Added eggs? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, what type(s) (i.e. organic)? \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you import eggs into the State of California? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Is another egg handler paying the mill fee assessment for you? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, provide the following information of the egg handler responsible for paying assessment fees. ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(If more than one, attach a separate sheet)

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
CA Handler Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 4. Mill Fee Responsibility**

If you are responsible for paying the mill fee assessment, please answer the following questions.

How many cases (1 case = 30 dozen) of eggs graded/produced/handled monthly? \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you purchase eggs from out-of-state egg handlers? (provide information below) ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Do you sell eggs to retailers or distributors/brokers? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Do you purchase eggs from an in-state producer? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, provide information of Producer or Producer/Packer (If needed, use separate sheet.)

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
CA Handler Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Fees Enclosed:

☒ Registration Fee: (15.00) 15.00  
☐ Air Cell Gauge: (7.00) \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Inspection Manual (15.00) \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE - DEFINITIONS

Section 27503.5. "California egg" means an egg produced in this state.

Section 27510. "Egg handler" means a person engaged in the business of producing, candling, grading, packing, or otherwise preparing shell eggs for market or who engages in the operation of selling or marketing eggs that he or she has produced, purchased, or acquired from a producer, or which he or she is marketing on behalf of a producer, whether as owner, agent, employee, or otherwise. This section shall not apply to any purchaser who is a retailer and who does not handle eggs in any other capacity, except as a retailer.

Section 27510.1. "Producer" means a person engaged in the business of producing eggs from domesticated fowl for human consumption, who is not in the business of candling, grading, packing, sorting, or otherwise preparing eggs for market, marketing, or processing eggs into egg products.

Section 27519.5. "Shipped egg" means an egg that is produced outside the State of California and shipped into the state for purposes of resale or use by a direct user.

## FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE – REGISTRATION AND FEES

Section 27541. Any person engaged in business in this state as an egg producer or egg handler, or any out-of-state egg handler or egg producer selling eggs into California, shall register with the secretary. A new registration shall be submitted if any current information changes.

Section 27542. The certificate of registration shall not be transferable to any person, or be applicable to any location other than the location for which originally issued, and shall be conspicuously displayed at such location.

Section 27551. The following persons shall pay to the Secretary a maximum fee of five cents (\$0.05) for each 30 dozens of eggs sold as provided below (**currently \$0.045**):

- (a) California egg handlers shall pay the fee on all eggs sales from their own production, on eggs purchased or acquired from California egg producers, and on eggs processed into egg products. California egg handlers shall not pay a fee on eggs purchased from out-of-state egg handlers or egg producers.
- (b) California egg producers shall pay the fee on all eggs sales to anyone not registered under this chapter as an egg handler, to out-of-state purchasers, and to egg breaking plants.
- (c) Out-of-state egg handlers and producers shall report and pay the fee on eggs sales into California sold to a retailer, producer, handler, or breaking plant.
- (d) Shipments of eggs, which are accompanied by a United States Department of Agriculture certificate of grade and sold to the federal government or its agencies are exempt from these fees.
- (e) Eggs sold to household consumers on the premises where produced from a flock size of 500 hens or less are exempt from these fees
- (f) The assessment provided for in this section shall only be paid once on any particular egg.

If you need further information, please contact the Department of Food and Agriculture, Egg Quality Control Program at (916) 445-4243, or write to 1220 N Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Also, you can e-mail Anthony S. Herrera at [Therrera@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:Therrera@cdfa.ca.gov), or visit our Internet website at: [www.cdfa.ca.gov](http://www.cdfa.ca.gov).

